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ANOTHER UNIVERSITY ELECTION.

Minister of Education Heads the Poll.

London, December 23.

The combined English Universities election, for two seats, resulted as follows:—

Right Hon. H. A. L. Fisher (Coalition Liberal)	... 959
Sir Martin Conway (Coalition Unionist)	... 777
Mr. J. Hobson (Independent)	... 481
Mr. H. G. Williams (Unionist)	... 410

The Right Hon. Mr. Fisher is the well-known Minister for Education.

THE DUTCH SITUATION.

Revolution May be Resurrected.

Amsterdam, December 24.

The Premier, interviewed by Reuter, declared that the revolutionary movement in Holland is at present dead, but it is impossible to say that it will not be resurrected.

BESSARABIA TO UNITE WITH RUMANIA.

Paris, December 24.

A message from Jassy says the Bessarabian National Council has now voted in favour of a definite union, without reservation, with Rumania.

SOVIET RULE IN LITHUANIA.

Copenhagen, December 24.

A Soviet Government has been established in Lithuania with head quarters at Riga.

THE CHRISTMAS RUSH.

London, December 24.

The Christmas rush has exceeded all expectations. The markets were stormed by crowds. Turkeys were unobtainable. The pathways in the shopping districts of the West End were impassable and restaurants and tea shops were obliged to close their doors.

BIG SHIPPING DEAL.

America Secures White Star and Leyland Lines.

New York, December 24.

It is confirmed that the Government has secured the British assets in the International Mercantile Marine, including the White Star and Leyland Lines, at a price of £25,750,000.

PRESIDENT WILSON VISITS FRENCH PREMIER.

Paris, December 25.

President Wilson went to the residence of M. Clemenceau in Rue Franklin and had an interview for three-quarters of an hour.—*Havas.*

NOTED FRENCHMAN'S DEATH.

Paris, December 25.

M. Surat, Senator for Ardeche, an intimate friend of M. Clemenceau, and formerly a manufacturer, died yesterday.—*Havas.*

FLOATING MINES.

A Danger to Voyagers.

Paris, December 25.

There are rather alarming prospects for voyagers in an interesting communication by the Prince of Monaco, to the French Academy of Sciences, on the subject of mines which, if completely water-tight, might float about the Atlantic Ocean for twenty years. Routes will be indicated to minimise the risk.—*Havas.*

LEAVE FOR RELEASED FRENCH PRISONERS.

Paris, December 25.

Leave is to be granted repatriated French prisoners captured before 1916 for 60 days and 45 days for others. The previous uniform period was 30 days.—*Havas.*

LINKING ATLANTIC AND BLACK SEA.

Paris, December 25.

An Inter-Parliamentary luncheon in Paris yesterday, at which M. Take Jonescu, was the guest, discussed the project of an Inter-Allied railway from the Atlantic to the Black Sea.—*Havas.*

ANXIETY REGARDING PARIS COAL SUPPLY.

Paris, December 25.

Some anxiety is felt by the Paris Municipal authorities regarding the coal supply. For the past month, 52,000 (?) tons daily were received instead of the requisite 8,000 and now there are only 29,000 tons in stock. The Council has decided to make urgent representations to M., Clemenceau on the gravity of the situation and the necessity of immediate measures.—*Havas.*

SPAIN AND THE ALLIES.

Paris, December 25.

Count Romanones, after his arrival in Madrid from Paris, said he had reason to be pleased at the exchange of views with the Allied representatives. A foundation had been laid for work on which the future of Spain depends.—*Havas.*

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE HOME ELECTIONS.

Mr. Sidney Webb Almost Succeeds.

London, December 23.

The London University election resulted as follows:—

Mr. P. Magnus (Coalition Unionist)	 2310
Mr. Sidney Webb (Labour)	 2141
Mr. A. Somerville (Independent)	 885
Sir W. Herringham (Independent)	 715
Mr. C. L. Nordon (Independent)	 310

[There is only one seat. At the last General Election, Sir P. Magnus polled 2,579 and Sir Victor Horsley (Liberal) 1357.]

A Sinn Fein Success.

London, December 23.

The election result for the National University of Ireland is as follows:—

Professor MacNeill (Sinn Fein)	 1844
Mr. Conway (Nationalist)	 813

FINANCING TRADE.

State Intervention Not Necessary.

London, December 23.

A report has been issued by an important Committee under the chairmanship of Sir Richard Vassar Smith, Chairman of Lloyds, which was appointed in 1917 to enquire into the provision of financial facilities for post war trade. The Committee thinks that existing institutions, with certain extensions, ought to be able to provide sufficient facilities without State intervention. It emphasises that an early return to an effective gold standard is the only proper check on undue expansion of credit and recommends the cessation of State borrowing as early as possible, all available money being required for financing commerce and industry.

The Report incidentally makes an interesting suggestion in connection with profit-sharing. It says it would be a good thing if a portion of new capital issues of preferential shares in industrial concerns giving a good return were reserved for the work people.

THE ESTHONIAN CAMPAIGN.

A Bolshevik Success.

Stockholm, December 24.

An Esthonian communique says the Bolsheviks have captured Dorpat and the Esthonians are retreating on the Wesenberg front. The Germans are advancing towards Rega.

PADEREWSKI'S MISSION TO POLAND.

London, December 24.

Reuter's correspondent at Copenhagen says the famous pianist, Paderewski, has arrived aboard the British cruiser Concord, bound on a mission to Poland.

FATAL AEROPLANE ACCIDENT.

Paris, December 24.

An aeroplane from Treves crashed down at Louvres, in the vicinity of Paris, the British pilot being killed and the American General Rhodes seriously injured.

FUTURE OF AERIAL NAVIGATION.

Allied Conference to Sit Shortly.

Paris, December 23.

An Allied Conference, including the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy and Belgium, is being held here early in 1919 with a view to establishing the basis of future aerial navigation. The principal subjects of discussion will include means to prevent the evasion of Customs barriers, also the prevention of rapid conversion of German postal or commercial aeroplanes into bombing machines. The Conference's decisions will be embodied in the Peace Treaty with Germany and her former Allies.

IMPROPERLY LABELLED GOODS.

A Hit at German Methods.

London, December 23.

Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne says the Victoria Assembly has passed a Bill requiring all goods to be marked clearly with the country of origin. The Bill prevents German goods after passing the Customs being labelled "Made in Australia". Goods improperly labelled will be liable to forfeiture and also substantial fines.

THE GERMAN ELECTIONS.

Soldiers Told How to Vote.

Amsterdam, December 23.

A message from Berlin says the result of the elections will be known on January 25. The National Assembly will meet a week later and will sit for at least eight weeks. The meeting place is not yet fixed.

General von Gontard, Commander of the 14th Baden Army Corps, has issued a Proclamation declaring that the Army's votes must be given to the Social Democrats and the non-Socialist parties which are united against the Spartacus Group.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN INTRIGUER RECALLED.

Washington, Dec. 22.

According to a message from Mexico City the German Government has recalled von Eckhardt, the German Minister to Mexico, to whom Herr Zimmermann sent a message on 19th January last year proposing a German-Mexican alliance against the United States if the United States entered the war on the side of the Entente.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FROM WAR TO PEACE.

London, Dec. 23.

Mr. Churchill made a detailed statement at a conference of the Trade Unions' Advisory Committee and Employers outlining the measures taken to facilitate the turnover of the industry of war to a peace basis. He said stocks of war materials amounting to approximately a thousand million sterling had to be carefully disposed of without dislocating normal industries. The Headquarters staff at the Ministry on 11th Nov. exceeded twenty thousand of whom between 4,000 and 5,000 would be retrenched by 31st January. The Munition Inspection staff exceeded seventy thousand of whom sixty-five per cent. were women, and already twenty-five thousand inspectors had been released. In November the output was the highest ever attained. Sir Douglas Haig's artillery in fifteen successive days discharged over twelve thousand tons of shells daily. During October the average production of filled shells was over forty-seven thousand tons weekly. The Army's unshakeable confidence in shells and guns was the best tribute to the efficiency of the output. By Xmas 230,000 persons will have left munitions production and very large numbers are already being re-employed in peace work. The change over in the steel trade was working most satisfactorily. Export prices of steel are fixed till 1st May. All restrictions on the purchase and manufacture of machine tools had been removed and large stocks of non-ferous metals had already been placed on the market. Supplies of numerous other controlled materials had been released. Relaxations of Government control were proceeding daily and priority of classifications for manufacture had been abolished. Measures are being taken to develop alternative production during the transition period. Hereanent the Dominions had been invited to place orders through the Ministry at advantageous terms. The Railway Executive had ordered one thousand locomotives and forty thousand wagons. Large orders for Government housing schemes are being planned and the widest steps are being taken to adapt munitions into articles of commercial use. Mr. Churchill in conclusion foreshadowed that in a very few months the great industries will have resumed their natural activity. He said there ought to be a period of great activity following the transitional period.

BOLSHEVIKS SEEK INTERNATIONAL REVOLUTION.

Copenhagen, Dec. 22.

The Danish Minister to Russia has arrived from Petrograd and states that the Bolshevik Government fully understands that the only possibility of maintaining its existence lies in international revolution. The Bolsheviks say that if the Entente occupies the Baltic provinces and Ukraine they will be able to revolutionise the Franco-British troops as they revolutionised the German troops. Their only fear is lest the Entente occupy Petrograd and Moscow. The Minister states that thousands of disbanded Chinese soldiers have joined the Red Guards in Russia. A batch of Chinamen recently repatriated from Russia included a number of trained revolutionary propagandists. Immediate Allied intervention in Russia would not meet with much resistance but resistance will be considerably increased by spring. An Austrian named Nadek has established a school at Moscow where agitators from all parts of the world are trained in order to spread Bolshevism to their own countries.

The Bolshevists, reports a message from Riga, have shot 460 counter-revolutionaries at Pikoff.

The Swedish Consul at Reval has arrived at Stockholm to ask for assistance against the Bolshevik invaders of Esthonia. The Swedish Foreign Minister declared that the Rigsdag would never allow the Swedish army to leave Sweden. The Consul is now asking the British Legation at Stockholm for assistance.

FIRST THINGS FIRST.

Washington, Dec. 22.

Senator Lodge, the Republican leader, has advocated the postponement until after the conclusion of peace of five of President Wilson's fourteen points, namely the League of Nations, Freedom of the Seas, Secret Diplomacy, Economic Barriers and the Reduction of Armaments. He declared that to bring forward propositions not inseparably connected with the immediate difficult task of making a binding peace with Germany might ruin all by trying to do too much at once.

DOCKYARD RECREATION CLUB.

The Annual Long-Night Dance.

The Dockyard Recreation Club held their annual long night dance in the R. N. Theatre on Friday, the 27th inst. About 200 guests were present, including Commodore, Mrs. and Miss Garner, Commander and Mrs. Myburgh, Mr. and Mrs. Kennet and most of the other principal Officers of the Dockyard. Dancing commenced at 8.30 p.m., the "King" being sung at 9 a.m. after a most successful and enjoyable evening. The hall and entrance were tastefully decorated by members of the D. R. C. Committee and the catering was efficiently carried out by Wiseman's. The Club are continuing their fortnightly dances, the next being on Saturday, 11th January.

GOLF.

December Bogey Pool.

The winner of the Men's Bogey Pool for December, is Mr. A. Morrison, one down.

New Year Holiday Competitions.

The Hon. Mr S. H. Dodwell has kindly presented a cup for a "one club" competition, for men, to be played over the Main Course, at Fanling, on the morning of January 2. Conditions:—One round, medal play. Any one club, wood or iron, may be used and must not be changed during the round unless broken. Two-thirds of handicap allowed. A ball may be picked out from anywhere and dropped on the fairway, not nearer the hole, under penalty of one stroke. Only one card may be taken out by each competitor. Entrance fee—$1, proceeds to be devoted to War Charities.

Ladies Competition.

The will be a Ladies' Foursome Competition on the Relief Course, on the morning of January 2, and a Men's Bogey Pool on the Main Course, on January 1 and 2.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph.")

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Dec 21.

The silver market is featureless.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Further Drawing of Subscription Griffins.

Another consignment of subscription griffins, 22 in number, arrived from Shanghai, per the s.s. Singkiang, yesterday, and were drawn for at the Jockey Club Stables, last evening, under the supervision of Mr. T. F. Hough, Clerk of the Course. The allotments were as follow:—

No.	Colour.	Drawn by.
28	Brown,	Mr. B. Basto.
29	Bay,	Mr. Adams
30	Grey,	Mr. M. H. Nemazee.
31	Chestnut,	Mr. A. D. MacDonald.
32	Chestnut,	Mr. E. Moller.
33	Grey,	Mr. Satterlee.
34	Grey,	Mr. A. M. L. Soares.
35	Bay,	Sir C. P. Chater.
36	Chestnut,	Mr. H. B. L. Dowdiggin.
37	Black,	Mr. P. C. Potts.
38	Brown,	Sir C. P. Chater.
39	Brown,	Hon. Mr. D Landale.
40	Dun,	Mr. J. H. N. Mody.
41	Grey,	Messrs. Moller & Williamson.
42	Dun,	Mr. Beswick.
43	Grey,	Mr. G. C. Moore.
44	Dun,	Mr. L. E. S. Hodge.
45	Black,	Mr. J. H. N. Mody.
46	Grey,	Mr. Beswick.
47	Steward,	Mr. Mortonsmith.
48	Bay,	Mr. Williamson.
49	Chestnut,	Hon. Mr. D. Landale

CHRISTMAS GOLF.

Successful Competitions at Fanling.

Two competitions were played at Fanling during the Christmas Holidays. On Christmas Day a men's Bogey Pool was played over the main course and continued on Boxing Day, up to fifth. At half-past one on Boxing Day afternoon, a Mixed Doubles Medal Round Competition was played.

The entries were numerous and the weather was ideal for golf. Added to this, the course was in perfect condition. On the second day the Men's Club House was open to ladies, who made full use of the invitation. The entrance fee for the competitions was $1, fifty per cent. of the proceeds being donated to War Charities. The winners were:—

Men's Bogey Pool:—Winner, Mr. T. M. Leitch, two down.

Mixed Doubles:— Winners, Miss Gordon and Mr. W. Adamson, with a net score of 98. Lady Rees Davies and Commander Beckwith, Mrs. Thursfield and Mr. Ritchie, Miss Dennison and Captain Goode, tied for second place with net scores of 99. Mr. and Mrs. Bell secured third place, with a net score of 100.

Result of Ladies' Championship

The final of the Ladies Golf Championship was played at Fanling on December 23, Mrs. Draper beating Miss J. Rodger 6 up and 4 to play.

The time for the play-off of the next round for the Woodhouse Cups has been extended till January 11th.

Entries for the Railway Cup close on December 31st.

The general meeting of the Ladies Section of the Golf Club will be held at the Helena May Institute on January 18th, 1919.

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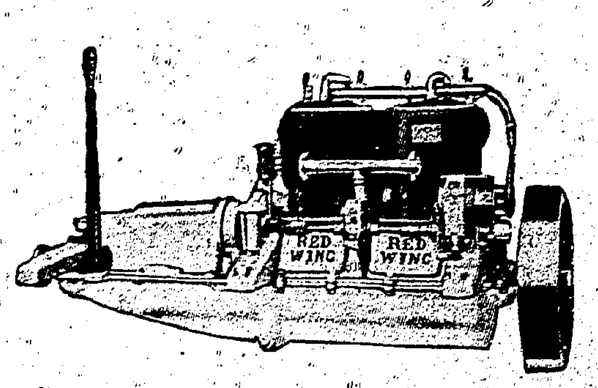

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GENERAL NEWS.

G.H.Q. Prayers.

Alderman Sir L. Pound, presiding at the war prayer meeting at the Mansion House recently, said that, while it was generally appreciated that the success which had attended our arms followed directly on the day of intercession, it was not generally known that that when the orders were going out from General Headquarters for the British offensive a Bishop of the Church of England, who happened to be present, suggested to Sir Douglas Haig an unprecedented thing. It was that just at that moment the G.H.Q. work should stop, and that they should ask for Divine guidance and blessing on what was about to be undertaken. That was done.

The First British Officer to Fall.

At the Royal Scots commemorative service in S. Giles' Cathedral in Edinburgh, the Rev. Dr. Wallace Williamson mentioned a fact which has not hitherto been recorded. Lieut. Thomson, of the Gold Coast Regiment, an officer of the Royal Scots, was the first British officer to fall in the present war. Twenty-four hours before the battle of Mons, on August 22, 1914, he gallantly led a company of Senegalese with the French in Togoland. The company died to a man defending the young officer's body, and the French Government has recognised Lieut. Thomson's gallant services by specially commending him as showing the greatest courage and capacity in command.

Sandhurst War Memorial.

About 4,000 Sandhurst cadets have been killed in the war, and an appeal is made to the nation to contribute towards a memorial. This, it is proposed, shall consist of an enlargement of the present chapel, and to extend the interior scheme of decoration, which commemorates officers who have fallen in other wars. A design by Captain A. C. Martin, F.R.I.B.A., has been chosen. Memorial panels in marble are an essential part of the decorative scheme, and on these will be recorded the name of every Sandhurst cadet who has fallen in this war. The cost is £50,000, towards which the public is invited to subscribe. Gifts should be sent to the Secretary of the War Memorial Fund, Royal Military College, Sandhurst.

To Free Raw Materials.

The War Cabinet recently set up a Cabinet Committee to deal with post war priority questions. This Committee consists of General Smuts, the President of the Board of Trade, and the Ministers of Labour, Shipping, Munitions, and Reconstruction. The secretary is Colonel Byrne, 11, Pall Mall, S.W. A standing council, with Dr. Addison (Minister of Reconstruction) as president and Sir Henry Birchenough as chairman, has been appointed to assist the Cabinet Committee, and is now at work. This council has already had before it a survey of the existing stocks of the more important raw materials, and is giving urgent consideration to the question of releasing such materials from any form of control at the earliest possible moment.

Echo of Shameen Robbery.

Ah Kum, the family cook who committed the $10,000 theft on the premises of his master, the Messrs. Freres, Importers and exporters, Shameen, was last heard of at Kumchuck, where he has been kind enough to post a letter to his victims informing them of his presence, also promising to return the property on December 21. This must have been a joke, as nothing was received last Saturday. Ah Kum committed the theft on December 9 last or thereabout, for he was last seen at Shameen that day. Detectives of the Canton Police at Kumchuk found no trace of him when searching for him there the other day. Ah Kum has also informed those concerned that the woman in the case, Ah Mui, is with him, too. Ah Mui was arrested as an accomplice after the escape of Ah Kum, but later released on $400 bail. Now Ah Kum says that the Police or his former employer may keep the money, as Ah Mui will not return to Canton if she could help it.

GENERAL NEWS.

Settlement of Soldiers.

Mr. G. T. Milne, who has been for some years the British Trade Commissioner in Australia, has made a report to the President of the Board of Trade dealing with Commonwealth legislation for the repatriation of soldiers, sailors, and nurses. He says: "Provision is made for a Repatriation Commission of seven members, for Repatriation Boards, and for local committees. In such a country as Australia with such vast spaces available for settlement, it is natural that a good deal of consideration is being given to the question of placing returned soldiers on the land, the intention being that this might to some extent be effected by the joint co-operation of the Federal and State Governments. It is proposed that the States should provide land and that the Federal Government should advance to the States up to £20,000,000 to assist in carrying out the settlement. It has been estimated that the value of the land and the amount of the advance to be made to the settlers will eventually cost £60,000,000. Under the proposed scheme the soldier will be enabled to secure a block of land and an advance up to £500 for plant, stock, &c. Where necessary the settler will be trained at a farm free of cost."

Mania for Self-Accussation.

A waiter named Ludwig Humfeld has just been convicted in Berlin of a repeated offence of a most extraordinary character. Whenever one of the innumerable crimes which have been taking place of late attracted particular attention, the police were sure to be rung up on the telephone by someone who gave a name of authority, ordering the arrest of Humfeld. Sometimes, the police received the order in writing on official paper. Humfeld was taken into custody no less than seventeen times, but on each occasion was discharged, as nothing could be brought against him. Eventually the police suspected that it was Humfeld himself who had ordered his own arrests, especially as after each discharge he gave the police a lot of trouble, demanding compensation for his detention. At the trial it was stated that he had worried the police in this way for years. The doctors declared Humfeld to be an epileptic with a mania for self advertisement, which expressed itself in this extraordinary way.

8,000 Deaf Soldiers.

Nearly 8,000 men have been pensioned for deafness since the outbreak of the war. In only a few cases is recovery complete. The conditions can, however be ameliorated, and the Ministry of Pensions has established evening clinics in Hammersmith, King's Cross, and Stratford for treatment. Major Dundas Grant, the first head of the Aural Board, has been instrumental in forming lip reading classes in all the large towns, as well as at headquarters in Park crescent, London. Whilst there are many occupations to which a deaf man can return, there are others, such as motor driving, and work on the railways, to which his affliction presents a barrier. In these cases local committees are teaching him new trades. Many deaf men are learning diamond polishing, shoemaking, and bee and poultry keeping. Any sort of farming is good for these deaf men, for it is desirable that they should be out in the air.

Premier's Birthplace.

The house in which Mr. Lloyd George was born, 5, New York-place, Manchester, was put up for auction recently, together with 17 adjoining houses. The gross annual rents were stated to be £233 15s. 8d., and the lot was bought for £1,160. The name of the purchaser was not disclosed but the auctioneer said the public might be satisfied that a place of such historic interest was not purchased for mere personal gain. It would be preserved for the nation.

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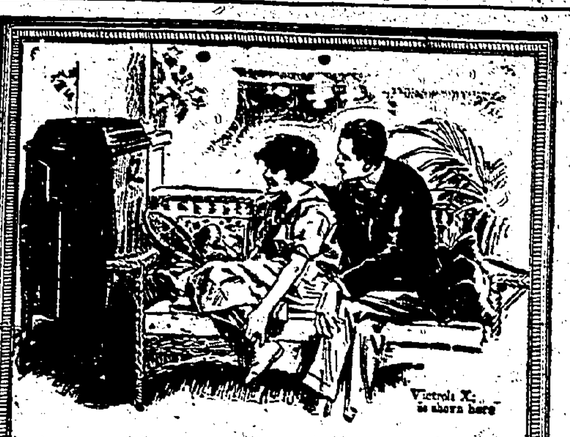

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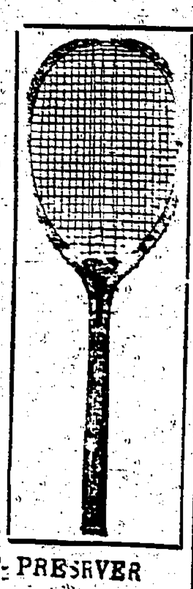

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EXCHANGE OF COLONIES.

According to the well-known French writer, M. Pertinax, there seem to be some grounds for belief in the reports prevalent in Britain, regarding the handing over of Gibraltar to Spain. If these reports are true, they open up a wide field of conjecture, for the giving up of Gibraltar would mean an entire change in our defensive policy abroad. Gibraltar has come to be regarded as one of the greatest bulwarks of our world-Empire, and more specially as our most important possession in the Mediterranean, controlling, as it does, the shipping and commerce of that sea. Not only was it considered the most impregnable fort in the world, but it has also become one of the great coaling ports, by which our Navy is enabled to sail throughout the oceans of the world. In recent years, however, a new and great factor has sprung up, which lessens to a very great extent the strategical value of Gibraltar. Even before the war, great strides had been taken in the construction of long range guns, and we have seen in the last few years the state of perfection at which it has arrived. When guns can be constructed to shoot 60 or 70 or even 100 miles, a fort like Gibraltar, however strongly fortified, cannot hope to maintain its former position. And aerial warfare must also be taken into account.

According to reports, it seems that the authorities at home realise these facts, and far-reaching developments may not be far off. If the value of Gibraltar as a fort disappears, all that it means to us will be a small barren rock with a fairly important port: it becomes, in fact, one of the least important of our colonies. Ever since 1704, the possession of Gibraltar by the British has been a thorn in the side of Spain, and there could be no better time than the present to set the matter right. Important discussions regarding Morocco are at present proceeding between Spain and France, in which Great Britain is also concerned. If the new aspect of the value of Gibraltar is the true one, now is the time for an amicable settlement of any differences. If Gibraltar has ceased to be impregnable, we will have nothing to lose and Spain everything to gain, if we give it back to its original and natural owners.

The next few years will see the remodelling of the world on an entirely new basis. At the coming Peace Conference, all the great nations of the world will be represented, and no more opportune moment could be found to settle, once and for all, their differences. It is only a matter of give and take, and the possible cession of Gibraltar is only an example of what could be done in this respect. If we cede this possession to Spain, we can be compensated territorially and financially, so that we may lose nothing in the transaction. It opens up a great field of possibility of what this arrangement of exchange might be able to accomplish, when all the nations of the world sit down together at the peace table. It is only a question of mutual friendship, cooperation, and, above all, a desire to reconstruct the world on new and nobler principles. The interests of the individual can be served by studying those of the whole: everything is possible if only the statesmen of the world treat the matter in the right manner. As regards the distribution of colonies, great work could be done in this direction. It will be admitted that the possessions of the different nations are so scattered in many cases as to lose much of the importance which they would have if they were better distributed. The exchange of colonies will probably be one of the greatest questions at the Peace Conference, for most of the nations, with possessions abroad, are due to win by any give and take arrangement in this respect. Let us hope that they will be broad minded enough to realise the value of a policy such as this, which will increase the trade and commerce of the world a hundredfold.

The Shipping Question.

There has been some interest taken locally in the statement by Sir James Glenny Wilson, published yesterday, to the effect that within a few months the supply of shipping for commerce will be greater than the demand, as compared with the pre-war relationship. On the face of things, there appears no immediate circumstance pointing definitely to that conclusion, though if the matter is looked into it will become apparent that the situation is bound to be materially affected in the near future. It is to be presumed that the reference is to world shipping. The great factor, of course, is the heavy loss which has been inflicted on the mercantile marine through the German submarine campaign. That loss has to be made up before we can talk of the supply exceeding the demand. We know that both in America and in England great efforts were being made in this direction before the Armistice was signed, and it must be the case that a large number of vessels have been completed since or are nearing completion. The amount of tonnage thus obtained will have a considerable effect on the position, especially since submarining has now ceased and therefore every ton built is directly offsetting the past losses. Then there are the vessels which have been under requisition for war purposes. Many of these are now being released, and these two factors taken together will decidedly and rapidly alter the outlook. So after all there are solid facts operating at any rate in the direction indicated by Sir James Wilson. Maybe before we think, we shall get back again to normal conditions.

The Return To Civil Life.

It is generally conceded that the Armistice has brought to the front very important problems demanding solution. The question of the demobilisation of our Army is, in fact, the most important of such problems, and it is one that demands very close reasoning. To all intents and purposes this matter has received attention by the Ministries of War and Labour. Hongkong, like the Dominions and the Colonies, is keenly interested in the question. The demand by employers for the return of their employees, after peace has been signed, at the earliest possible opportunity, is insistent. A scheme for the resettlement in civil life of the members of the forces was submitted, we remember, some few months ago to the War Cabinet, and for reasons best known to the Government the details of that scheme have not been made public. The responsibility for carrying out demobilisation, it appears, will rest with the Admiralty and the War Office so far as the naval and military arrangements are concerned, and with the Ministry of Labour as regards the resettlement of discharged sailors and soldiers in civil life. While the problems connected with demobilisation and rehabilitation are tremendous in their magnitude, they are not insoluble.

A Worthy Ambassador.

The news of the death of Dr. Page, the former American Ambassador to London, will be received with as much regret by Britishers as by his own nationals. Dr. Page only recently resigned from the Ambassadorship, after five years of service, four of which were during the Great War. Presumably, he would have gone into quiet retirement and enjoyed the rest which he so well deserved, but the Grim Reaper has claimed him almost before he had severed his official ties. He will long be remembered in London as a tactful diplomat, a thorough friend of the English and, above all, a true gentleman. He was a firm believer in close Anglo-American harmony and in the creation of a better understanding between the two English-speaking races. He lived to see a good part of his dream come true. His memory will be lovingly cherished for the great part which he played in that grand work.

DAY BY DAY.

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Monday's Anniversary.

Monday is the 53rd birthday of Mr Rudyard Kipling.

The Dollar.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 3s 4. 7/16 d.

Government Appointment.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell has been appointed a Commissioner to administer oaths, etc.

Exempted.

The Indian Recreation Club has been exempted from registration under the Societies Ordinance.

Health Return.

During yesterday there were notified one fatal case each of plague, diphtheria, enteric and cerebro spinal meningitis. All the victims were Chinese.

The Familiar Words.

"Hawking without a licence; $4 or seven days". Those were the words that fell upon the ears of our reporter as he entered Mr. Melbourne's Court, this morning. Quite a familiar phrase now!

Typhoon Warning.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 8 p.m. yesterday:—Typhoon in about 115 Degrees Long. E. and 11 Degrees Lat. N, moving west.

Alice Memorial Hospital.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—Mr. Ho Ngok-lan, $50; Anon (for suffering poor), $10; Pork Guild Central Market, $90; Pork Guild Western Market, $135.

Honorary Visiting Surgeon.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has appointed Mr. Hermann Balean, M.D., B.S. (London), F.R.C.S. (England), L.R.C.P.A., to be Honorary Visiting Surgeon to the Government Civil Hospital during the absence from the Colony of Mr. Kenelm Hutchinson Digby, M.B., B.S (London), F.R.C.S. (England).

Cinema Attraction.

The Coronet Theatre is offering, from to night until the end of the year, another great Fox picture, "The Walls of Jericho," featuring Edmund Breese. This film has been adapted from the famous play by Alfred Sutro. The play ran for two years at the Garrick Theatre, London, and one year at the Hackett Theatre, New York. The picture has been beautifully produced and should draw big houses. The programme also contains many other most excellent features.

Friendly Cricket.

Craigengower were at home on Boxing Day to the Indian Recreation Club, in a friendly match. The latter won easily, scoring 183 for eight wickets against their opponents' total of 120. For Craigengower, Bradbury was top scorer with 66 not out, while for the winners A. A. Rumjahn (59), D. Rumjahn (39 not out) and S. D. Ismail (36) did well. A. A. Rumjahn did well with the ball, taking six wickets for 37 runs.

The Victoria Theatre.

"All dressed up and nowhere to go." That is the general complaint in Hongkong, but it should not be. It is true that Hongkong is very poor in the matter of amusements, but there is one house that offers wholesome recreation, and that is the Victoria Theatre. On Christmas Day its doors were besieged and the special programme which was presented for the delectation of children and grown-ups at the matinee was well patronised. The presentation of toys on Christmas Day is an annual fixture with the management of the Victoria Theatre and on Wednesday crowds of little ones mustered there to participate in the drawing. To-day new episodes of "The House of Hate" will be screened, and as usual the place is sure to be packed.

1893-4.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

(Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the week ending January 4 1894.)

The Dollar.

December 29.—The rate of the Dollar, on demand, to-day, is 2s. 3d.

Hard Labour.

December 30.—A number of time-expired men in the Police Force were sworn in again to-day for a further term of "hard labour"; and one man, Mr. W. Roes, was presented with a handsome gold albert and pendant on his departure for Shanghai to join the Municipal Police there.

The Sailors' Home.

December 30.—At The Sailors' Home, last night, the "festive season" was celebrated with great success. The proceedings commenced with a tea . . . . . and afterwards a meeting was held under the presidency of Mr. J. J. Keswick, and a number of songs and brief addresses were given by visitors.

Grandmotherly Government.

January 2, 1894.—We would remind our readers that under the grandmotherly legislation of the present *regime*, it will be necessary for all owners of dogs to take out new licences from the beginning of this year. Anywhere else but in Hongkong that important information would have been duly and publicly notified long ere now.

Amateur Theatricals.

January 2.—"Princess Toto" drew another crowded house on Saturday, and Mr. G. South, who is certainly one of the most popular amateur comedians ever seen in the East, scored a great success in his part of *Zapeter* which he undertook at very short notice, owing to Mr. Darby being laid up.

The Water Supply.

January 3.—At the next meeting of the Sanitary Board, Mr. Francis will move:—That in the opinion of this Board, five gallons of water per day is, from a sanitary point of view, a wholly inadequate allowance of water in this climate and that in limiting the free supply of water to many large blocks of buildings to that quantity, the Government is violating the understanding on the faith of which the extensive powers granted by Ordinance 16, of 1890 were conferred by the Legislative Council.

Taikoo Athletic Club.

January 4.—The annual meeting of the Taikoo Athletic Club was held on the Club ground at Quarry Bay, on New Year's Day, in the presence of a large number of spectators. Favoured with delightful weather, the sports proved an unqualified success.

New Year Festivities.

January 4.—The New Year festivities have a good deal to answer for in the way of disturbing the usual decorum of Her Majesty's loyal subjects. First of all, the "Water Police" sign board at Tsimshatsui was painted out and a more seasonable beverage by the name of "whisky" was painted in. Then a leading light in the legal world went to sleep in the Supreme Court library, and was locked in by the unobservant attendants.

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

Coast Port Contributions to "Heather Day."

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THE KING'S MESSAGE.

Reply from Hongkong.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government forwards for publication the following telegram which has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies together with the reply which has been sent:—

From Secretary of State, London, to Officer Administering the Government, Hongkong. Date 24th December, 1918.—

Following from His Majesty the King:—

Buckingham Palace.

Another Christmas has come round and we are no longer fighting. God has blessed your efforts. The Queen and I offer you our heartfelt good wishes for a Happy Christmas and many brighter years to come. To the disabled, sick and wounded we send a special greeting, praying that with returning health you may be comforted and cheered by the vision of those good days of peace for which you have sacrificed so much.

GEORGE, R.I.

LONG

From Officer Administering the Government, Hongkong. To Secretary of State, London, Date 27th, December, 1918:—

Your telegram of December 24th. Their Majesties' Gracious Christmas message has been published and has been received with great pleasure.

SEVEBN.

THE PROBLEMS OF HONGKONG.

The Problems of Hongkong are many and great;
On our minds form a burden of very much weight,
But solution will come, if we don't have to nurse
The problem I state in my very last verse!

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The problem of housing—a poser indeed,
Reform for which "Dicky" is sowing the seed.
The problem of water, now solved at Tam Tuk,
A lesson to all that whiskey is murk.
The problem of mosquitoes so colloquially a myth,
As ably propounded by Middleton Smith.
That of excluding Chinese from the Peak,
A problem that left us with intellect weak.
The problem of training in suitable schools,
The young Chinese mind, in a pigeon-hole cools,
The problem of wages, that hoary old grouse;
It bothers each year the head of the house,
The problem of transport from Hongkong to Kowloon,
Solution of which we may see very soon.

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There are dozens of others,
but I think the great one
Is the total exclusion of Wilhelm the Hun,
For if he returns he will see to it sure,
That we shall have problems to solve evermore.

H. F.

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TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

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The bitter racial conflicts reported from the Caucasus are not to be wondered at when it is remembered how many and diverse are the peoples inhabiting that region. Over 170 nationalities, speaking 100 different languages, are to be found in that modern Babel, and the very names of some of them—Imersun, Rachan, Zchum, Z-s, Pshav Ubysch, Shapsuch, Tush, Karabulak, Kasi Kamyksh—are suggestive of a philologist's nightmare.

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Mr. Andrew D White, the eminent American diplomat who has just died, was the owner of one of the finest libraries in America. Mr. White began early in life accumulating books, chiefly on the subject of the world's history. At last he had 40,000 volumes, a respectable total, as Mr. Birrell would admit, who once said a man should never talk of his library until he had 10,000 books. Mr. White gave his library to Cornell University.

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The Scottish people being a somewhat practical people, are asking the pertinent question, Who is to pay the war damages due Austria Hungary now that the Empire is a disembodied spirit? The various nationalities in the vanished Empire having declared themselves our friends, can we impose upon them financial conditions which would be laid upon enemies? The question may give rise to some discussion, but it appears to us that the matter is clear enough. When a man takes over an estate he assumes the burdens of that estate. The arrangement between parties may be conducted in a friendly spirit, but friendship does not necessarily cancel just debts.

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Peasants of Picardy returning to the villages recovered during recent advances are making curious finds amid the heaps of rubble which once were homes. A new fret-work machine, an aviary containing a pair of chaffinches still very much alive, a complete anatomical skeleton, a box of dancing pumps, and an incubator packed with the remains of eggs, were unearthed in a village near Albert. In the library of a ruined chateau was found a note-book bearing on its title page the signature of Napoleon Bonaparte. The book was dated at the time when he was a corporal, and was filled with notes referring to foot-drill. A dug-out—once a German battalion headquarters—contained a well-filled bed of excellent mushrooms.

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In recording the story of these dramatic days the future historian will find nothing more remarkable than the spirit of calm restraint in which the news of victory has been received, says a Scottish paper. The significance of the momentous happenings of the past few days is fully appreciated, but people have learned a great deal from the war, above all, the lesson of self control. There is a complete absence of the "Mafficking" spirit; the country is grateful that the end is now almost within reach, but the path it has trod has been so full of surprises and disappointments, so strewn with sacrifices and reparations, that thankfulness is deep rather than loud, heartfelt rather than spoken. The news of the capitulation of Turkey made less stir than an old-time election would have done; the outbreak of revolution in Austria-Hungary is "all in the day's work" of politics. Until [illegible] will remain undisturbed, and even then, [illegible] the complete triumph of Allied [illegible]

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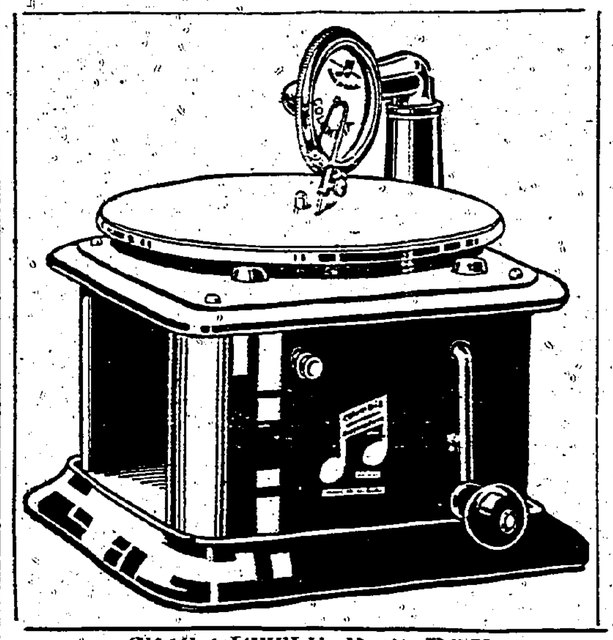

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HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

Syllabus of the Medical Society.

We have received an interesting syllabus of the Hongkong University Medical Society for the year 1918 19. The object of the Society is to hold meetings at which papers are read and discussions held, on medical and general subjects; and to promote intercourse among its members. The Society can now boast of 100 members. Graduates of any University are eligible for membership and such other persons as may be elected at a general meeting.

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More Pay for Wireless Operators.

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Increased Use of Pneumatic Riveting Tools.

News of the rapidy increasing use of pneumatic riveting tools comes from both Clyde and Tyne areas. It has been one of the most marked features of the work of the Clyde shipyards during the last two or three months, and by the end of the year the extended use of these important tools will be reflected in the greater output of vessels on both the upper and lower reaches of the river. Most of the yards have now installed the necessary compressing apparatus. Thanks to the new arrangement for levelling up the wages of the men while they are learning to operate the machine, there has been no scarcity of willing workers. One important firm last week completed arrangements for doubling their present holding of pneumatic tools, and expect no difficulty in securing the necessary number of riveters. In the graving docks and repair establishments on Tyneside 480 pneumatic riveting hammers are now in use. Mr. G. J. Rowe, boilermakers' delegate, says: "As fast as the makers can turn the tools out they are being utilised by our members in this district. All prejudice against them has completely broken down, and I do not anticipate the slightest trouble in the future as far as the men are concerned."

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FOOTBALL SHIELD.

The Boxing Day Matches.

The first round for the Hongkong Shield, played on Boxing Day at the Happy Valley, attracted large holiday crowds and the proceeds of the grandstand tickets and collection boxes which were distributed round the grounds are to be devoted to the dependents of the late Sergt. Linfield, Naval Yard Police. Three matches only were played and all provided good sport. The fourth match down for decision, the R. E. v. Staffs and Depts, was scratched owing to Christmas engagements. The little grand stand on the Hongkong Club ground was nicely decorated for the occasion, the idea of the Shield matches has been very popular. A feature of interest is the entry of the 2nd Division Clubs, two of whom have given a good account of themselves.

Navy v. R. G. A.

There was a large crowd present when the Navy and R. G. A. game started and a little disappointment was felt when it was seen that R. G. A's popular centre-forward, Green, was absent. Youngman, however, made a welcome reappearance for the gunners at full back, and the Navy who also lacked the services of Smith, their clever centre-half, otherwise fielded a very strong team.

The Navy did a lot of attacking in the first half and McNiven and Neale both had hard lines with good attempts. Shaman and Youngman were doing well against the smart Navy forwards who put in plenty of good shots, but Taylor was not beaten up to the internal, which arrived with a blank score sheet.

The second half was very lively, and it was obvious that the Navy were the much better team. The inevitable score from McNiven early in the first half was fully deserved and greeted very warmly by the crowd, which had a large sprinkling of Service uniforms. Talfourd and his backs were having a very busy time with the Navy forwards, and Warrener, slipping smartly forward, increased Navy's lead with a nice shot. R. A. got to the other end and a misunderstanding by the Navy backs ended in Gibson beating Crocker close in. From now on to the finish the game was all the Navy's, and further goals were added by McNiven, Warrener and Travis, the final score being 5-1 in favour of the Navy, who now have to meet the Club in the semi-final.

The R. A. made a good fight in the first half but the constant pressure put on by Navy was bound to tell and with each of the Navy forwards putting in good first-time shots, the score was not surprising. Talfourd, Sharman, Gibson and Tow played well in a hopeless struggle, while for the Navy, Warrener and Galvin, the new men, are acquesitions, and complete a very dangerous line of forwards. Lawson is a clever half who shone in a good line and the rear division could not be improved upon. The Navy team is a strong combination and will be very hard to beat if they can retain the same players.

Mr. Allen was in charge of the game.

Kowloon v. Club.

The manner in which the Kowloon team started their game with the Club or the Navy's ground was very discomforting for the Club's supporters, as, following some very loose football of the pick-and-rush nature, Wheeler got going on the wing for Kowloon, and centreing in the nick of time, Hyder, inside left, who was standing in a good position, promptly banged the ball well out of Hamilton's reach in the far corner of the net. This success inspirited Kowloon, who upset the Club's many attempts to score by their rushing tactics and it was not until Richelmann practically carried the ball in the net with him, that the Club could get any satisfaction out of the Kowloon defence, who played a rare spoiling game. Abbas, Jackson and the goalkeeper being very prominent. Richelmann added another before the interval, which arrived with the Club leading by 2 goals to 1. The second half saw the Club taking charge of the game, but it was some time before Richelmann made the issue safe with a beautiful shot in the corner of the goal all along the ground, and the same player drove a penalty goal through just after, the game ending with the Club easy winners.

Kowloon played a very hard game against their more experienced opponents and Jackson, Abbas, Wheeler and Hyder were the pick of a very energetic lot. The Club halves and backs easily out manoeuvered their more youthful opponents excepting on one occasion, and Chassels was the outstanding player of a very good defence. Stewart ran him close doing a great amount of work. Richelmann played a very fine game and had a day out, getting all the goals, while Taylor played a capital game on the right where he had a heavy afternoon owing to Clarke being indisposed. The left wing wing was not prominent.

Mr. Tucker was in charge of the game.

South China v. St. Joseph's College.

An immense crowd gathered all round the Club ground in anticipation of a rousing game when these teams lined up. All the seats in the grandstand and enclosure well filled also, and from the start the game was full of excitement. The game started at a furious pace, end-to-end play and strong kicking by the backs being features of the first half. Partisanship was very evenly divided, both teams coming in for great encouragement. There was plenty of good football of a very keen nature throughout the game, and the second half, which was slightly in St. Joseph's favour, was very exciting, but the defences prevailed to the end, and the game will furnish another pleasant afternoon's sport to decide which team shall enter the semi-final. Great rivalry prevailed and opinions were very divided as to which team would win. If anything, St. Joseph's started favourites. That they did not win is to be credited largely to the high-class exhibition given by Cheung Wing-hon, left full back, and Chau So, left half, both these players doing great service to the side. The Chinese forwards were very disappointing, only Weung, centre, and Ko Kin-fun, outside right, playing up to form. Au Kit Sang spoilt many a good opening by useless gallery play and Kwok Po kun's valuable services at outside left were wasted through his partner's ineffectiveness. South China's defence was far in advance of their attack. St. Joseph's played a dashing game, their forwards, of whom Silva and Hyndman were easily the pick, being a very dangerous line on the move. Omar, outside right, was not up to form, but Zephr and Marcel played a fine game in the half-back line. Hyndman played a polished game at back and Omar in goal was very cool and safe.

Mr. Wright was in charge of the game.

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The American Consul General has received instructions from Washington indicating that import restrictions have been removed with respect to quite a number of articles entering the United States of importance to Hongkong trade. Included in the list thus notified to the Consulate General as free of restrictions other than the import licence which apparently is granted without delay are:—

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Shanghai	Sinkiang	B. & S.	3, Dec.
Shanghai	Wosang	J. M. Co.	31, Dec
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Batavia	Tjimanoek	J.C.J. L.	3, Jan.
Manila	Yuensang	J. M. Co.	3, Jan.
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Tsuchioka, 60 Kaitogai Qurgo, from Wakuka.
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Tsungsun, from Shanghai.
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Shengtai, from Shanghai.
Leenu Meelun Street, from Shanghai.
Chongcikman Leeno, 23 Yungshinsai, from Shanghai.
Yipwaipo, 3rd Floor 39, Des Voeux Road Ott. from Nagasaki.
Liuyuenshin Kenkee, from Kobe.
Kwong Cheang Sang, from Shanghai.
Shunsing, from Osaka.
Kanbayashi, Matsubara Hotel, from Tokio.
Szezongshan Tsupienlee, from Shanghai.
Zeungseng, from Kobe.
Layueking, from Shanghai
Leechogwing, China Mail, from Shanghai.
Layuking, South North Hong Street, from Shanghai.
Kwongyuen, Kwongyuentung, from Kobe.
Suicheong, from Shanghai.
Chongjoo, Queens Road, from Kobe.

T. KRING,
Act. Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 26, 1918.

Eastern Extension, Australasia & China Telegraph Co.

List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in the E. E. Telegraph Office at Hongkong

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Bona, from Singapore.
Borowsky Circus, from Haiphong.
Jay Zeames, c/o American Consul, from New York.
Nakaharuta, c/o Daiichimjo Maru, Keelung.
Splon (two) from Sydney.

A. A. [illegible],
Superintendent
Hongkong, December 27, 1918.

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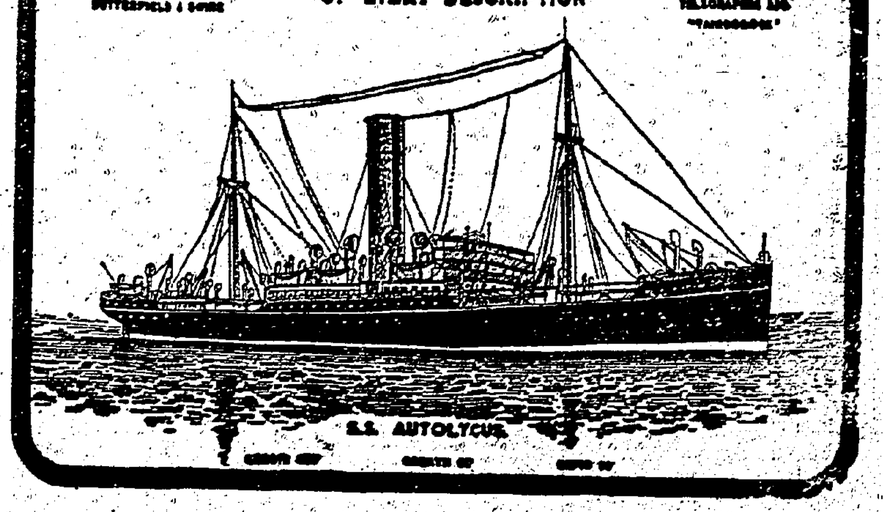

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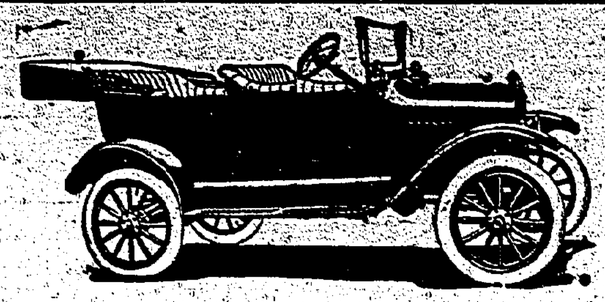

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Mr. T. F. Hough ...	1,250
Mr. E. T. Singer ...	200
Mr. W. A. Dawley	100
Mr. G. S. Archbutt	50
Mr. M. A. Murray	50
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Mr. M. M. Muse ...	50
Mr. E. R. Thomas	35 72
Mr. G. S. Archbutt	35.72
Mr. M. A. Murray	35.72
Mr. W. Ross ...	35.72
Mr. F. H. Thomas	35.72
Mr. F. A. Wells ...	35.70
Mr. A. C. Leith ...	35.70
Mr. G. E. Town ...	35.70
Mr. A. Ritchie ...	200
Mr. S. E. Hodge ...	210
Mr. S E. Hodge ...	40
Mr. A. G. Coppin	225
Mr. J. H. Brister...	110
Mr. R. Sutherland,	100
Mr. W. A. Dowley	275
Mr. J. Macdonald	100
Mr. Seybt ...	110
Mr. D. M. Ross ...	50
Mr. W. A. Hannibal	2,250
	$17,150.70
A. W. (Monthly sub.)	20
Bowling Section, Civil Service Club aided by Zacky	23.20
Per E. L. Hosie, collection at H. K. Club, 8/12/18	60.82
Messrs Patell and Co. (Monthly sub.) ...	25
H. K. Police, per Sergt. Boulger (Monthly sub.) ...	26.70
Members, Royal H.K. Golf Club, (Monthly sub.)	20
Royal Navy & Dockyard, per Rev. F.G.B. Hastings (Monthly sub.) ...	66.50
Mr. E. Howard ...	300
Mr. M.S. Sassoon, per H.K. Club (Monthly sub.)	20
3 Subscribers, per H. K. Club (Monthly sub.)	30
2 Subscribers, per H. K. Club (Monthly sub.)	£ 10
	$ 24,846.53
Already acknowledged, ...	1,328,521.72
	1,353,368.25
Amounts remitted &c.	1,328,628.88
Balance in current a/c	$ 24,739.37

H. C. SANDFORD,
Hon. Treasurer.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1918.

THE METAL MARKET.

Report for Year Just Ending.

The first half of the year was very profitable for the metal dealers owing to the demand from India, Java, Straits Settlements etc., but when the news of the Armistice came through it knocked the bottom out of a market that had been steadily weakening for six to eight weeks previously. Dealers hastened to withdraw orders, some thousands of tons being cancelled, the majority of which fortunately had not been placed in U.S.A. owing to licenses not being forthcoming.

Tinplates:—Prices continued high from the previous year, but after the first two months dropped a little, ranging from $29.50 to $32.00 per box. Owing to an arrangement existing between the Authorities in Great Britain and the U.S.A. no export was allowed and consumers having their contracts already filled, very little business was done from local stocks. The present price is nominal at anything from $23.00 to $25.00. The present U.S. price is about G $13.00 per box c.i.f. (14" x 20" x 100 x 112 lbs). Both countries are now allowing export, but up to time of writing no prices have come through from England.

Wire Nails.—Large stocks of both the small and large sizes are held, and there are about 15,000 kegs still to arrive under contract. Prices for the first quarter were from $13.50 to $15.00 per picul keg, the second quarter from $15.00 to $16.50, this being due to a demand for export, but for the latter half of the year prices are down to $13.00 per keg with no demand. Prices from U.S.A. for 1½" to 3" are about G. $13.00 per keg. The local prices are considerably below the home price and cargo could be bought at still lower figures with a firm order in hand.

Bars.—The market was good and prices firm for the first half of the year, but the demand from outside dropping off, prices fell away. From January to June prices were from $14.00 to $15.50 per picul for 3/8" to 1", larger sizes were correspondingly higher and for small sizes, but there was very little market. Any quantity could be obtained at present from $9.00 to $13.00 per picul, according to specification. Prices from U.S.A. are about G $156.00 per ton which shews that prices there are being maintained, but what these will be after the end of the year when the U.S. Authorities withdraw all restrictions, it remains to be seen. Angles have been in good demand and high prices were obtained for some of the sizes. This was due chiefly to the local demand.

Steel Plates and Sheets.—Prices carried over high from the previous year namely, $30.00 to $40.00 per picul according to thickness, some of the thicker plates reaching over $50.00 per picul. The market is very dull at present and contracts for a few thousand tons have been cancelled. For Black Sheets the demand has been very small throughout either for local consumption or export. Prices were from $27.00 to $29.00 per picul for the first half, and for the second half $24.00 to $26.00 per picul.

Galvanised Iron Wire.—Prices were good for the first half, particularly for the finer sizes being for 18/22 gauge $26.00 to $27.50 per picul, for 13/17 $16.00 to $19.00. Present prices are $22/24.00 and $15/16.50 respectively. Large stocks are held and no market.

Hoop Steel:—The market has been strong throughout owing to the small stocks held, prices varying from $12.00 to $16.00 per picul according to size and gauge.

Yellow Metal Sheeting:—Prices nominal throughout, supplies being chiefly from Japan with small parcels from U.S.A. the latter finding a ready sale as previously.

Steel Joists and Sections.—Prices firm throughout the year, the local demand for joists being smaller than previously, owing to the substitution of concrete reinforcement in buildings. The price has been between 12 to 15 cts. per lb. according to size and section. For other sections there has been a good demand, but stocks held were very low, therefore, good prices were paid.

Lead:—Prices at the beginning of the year were about $18.00 per picul, and were down to $13.00 with large stocks and holders refusing to sell at this low figure. Since export has been allowed the market has stiffened to $16.00 per picul.

Old Metals and Scrap:—No importation worth mentioning. On the other hand shipments of very poor material were made to Japan at from $3.00 to $4.00 per picul. Nothing has been done the last six months.

For the coming year the outlook would appear not very bright, as fair stocks of most materials are carried at present. However, it is by no means certain that the talked-of drop in prices will be realised, on the contrary it looks as if the output in the United Kingdom is likely to be taken up for their home requirements, and that there will be little surplus for export, for months to come. Neither does any fall in freights or wages seem imminent and the market here should therefore rule firm unless a rise in exchange should occur. On the other hand if exchange should fall a much stronger tone would be at once perceptible.

HONGKONG TRADE.

Chamber of Commerce Report.

The fortnightly Price Current and Market Report, published by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, states:—

Cotton piece goods and fancy cotton goods.—There is nothing doing and all prices are nominal.

Cotton yarns.—Value ruled rather firm, particularly for the higher counts. A very moderate business transpired, importers being reluctant to sell at all freely. Quotations are:—No. 10s at $190/216. No. 12s at $193/213. No. 16s at $220/230. No. 20s at $220/240. Sales 2,000 bales. Bargains 5,000 bales. Unsold stock 11,000 bales.

Raw Cotton.—Market declined somewhat but closes very steady at following rates: Chinese Staple $44/52. Indian Grades $40/50.

Woollens.—Still devoid of all symptoms of life.

Metals.—There is no business to report, the position being as last reported. Every line at a standstill.

Flour Market Report.—Stock:—About 220,000 sacks. Quotations:—Shanghai Flour 2nd $3.20 per sack. Australian No. 1, $3.55 per sack; Australian No. 2, $3.40 per sack; Australian No. 3, $3.35 per sack.

Sugar.—Market steady.

Trade Union for Actors.

By 1,100 votes to 15 the Actors' Association recently decided to go into liquidation in order that it might be reconstituted as a trade union. Mr. Sydney Valentine said as a trade union they would be in a position to demand that contracts should be made fair to the performer. They would be able to shut a theatre up in 24 hours if their grievances were not considered.

TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S.—SELLERS; SA.—SALES; B.—BUYERS; N.—NOMINAL.

OFFICIAL PRICES.

BANKS.		
H. K. & S. Banks	ss.	$725
MARINE INSURANCES.		
Cantons	ss	$405
North Chinas	b.	£ 117½
Unions	b.	$940
Yangtszes	b.	$205 Ex. 78
Far Easterns	n.	£ 26
FIRE INSURANCES.		
China Fires	b	$158
H. K. Fires	b.	$340
SHIPPING.		
Douglases	b.	$86½
Steamboats	b.	$ 22 sa. 21½/22
Indos (Pref.)	b.	$30
Indos (Def.)	b.	$155 s. 156
Shells	b.	31/-
Ferries	n.	$35½
REFINERIES.		
Sugars	b.	$92
Malabons	n.	$38
MINING		
Kailans	b.	47/-
Langkats	n.	£ 22
Raubs	n.	$2.25
Tronohs	b.	38/-
Urals	n.	38/-
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &C.		
H. K. Wharves	b.	$111 s. 111/2
Kowloon Docks	b.	$155½
S'hai Docks	b.	£ 135
N. Engineerings	b.	$25½
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.		
Centrals	n.	$108
H. K. Hotels	n.	$90
Land Invest.	n.	$102
H'phreys Est.	b.	$7.50
K'loon Lands	b.	$83
West Points	n.	$72
COTTON MILLS.		
Ewos	b.	£ 135
Kung Yiks	b.	$15
Lau Kung Mows	n.	$124½
Orientals	n.	$57½
S'hai Cottons	b.	$145
Yangtszepoos	n.	$8
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Green Islands	b.	$9.10
Borneos	n.	$121½
China Light & P.	n.	$6½
Providents	b.	$8.00
Dairy Farms	n.	$26½
H. K. Electrics	b.	$66
Macao Electrics	n.	$85
Ropes	b.	$34½
Trams, Low Level	b.	$7.80
Trams, Peak, old	b.	$7.00
Trams, Peak, new	b.	.70
Laundries	b.	$8.50
Steel Foundries	n. x. d.	$12
U. Waterboats	n.	$12½
Watsons	n.	$5.85
Wm. Powells	b.	$9.50
Wiseman's	b.	$19

Hongkong, December 28, 1918.

FALLEN HEROES.

To-morrow's Memorial Services.

To-morrow, special services in memory of those who have fallen in the war are being held in various parts of the Empire, these being authorised by the Archbishop of Canterbury. In Hongkong, the Bishop of Victoria has authorised the services. At St. John's Cathedral in the morning the Bishop will preach and H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, H. E. Major General Ventris and Commodore Garner will be present. A collection is to be taken on behalf of a memorial to those who have fallen which it is proposed to place in the Cathedral or its grounds.

Services are also to be held at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. when the new Chaplain, the Rev. Mr. Dowding, will preach. At the morning service, the Cadets, under Lieut Beard, will attend and the "Last Post" will be sounded and the Dead March played. The Roll of Honour of those connected with Kowloon will be read by Mr. R. Packham, churchwarden.

China Supports Jewish National Movement.

The Chinese Government has decided to [illegible] towards the [illegible] as the Rabbi [illegible]

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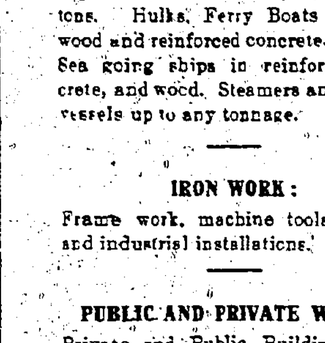

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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

Italian Trade in China.

The President of the Italian Chamber of Commerce at Shanghai is at present in Rome, where he is placing before the Government and Italian business men the programme mapped out by his Chamber of Commerce for the development of trade between Italy and China. The lack of enthusiasm in Italy regarding trade with China can be put down to the unfortunate experiences of the few firms which have attempted to do business there, owing to irregular means of transport, and to the absence of any Italian bank in China. It is therefore necessary, [illegible] step for the development of trade between the two countries, that a regular steamship service should be established under the Italian flag to take the place of the Norddeutsche Lloyd service to the Far East. This is a post-war measure, but the Government should immediately make arrangements with the Allies for cargo-space to be reserved on their ships sailing to the Far East for Italian merchandise which could be transhipped at Marseilles or Port Said. The present high price of silver makes the immediate formation of an Italian bank impossible, as the initial expenses would be too high. It would, however, be desirable for one of the important banks in Italy to open a branch in the Far East, if only for the purpose of establishing the necessary personnel for future organisation and to assist those few Italian merchants who, notwithstanding the war, are enterprising enough to maintain relations with the Chinese markets. The Government could facilitate the establishment of such a branch by using the bank having a branch in Shanghai for the encashment of the Chinese indemnity and for any other business transactions it may carry out in China. This bank should also, with the help of the Government, become a member of the international syndicate in place of the German bank, and should also participate in a small way in the loans made by that syndicate to China. The Chinese market is perhaps the most solvent in the world, but to succeed in it, it is necessary to establish a commercial organisation capable of handling a very large turnover at a minimum cost. For this reason one finds in China very important firms dealing in the most varied assortment of goods. The best example is perhaps that of the firm of Jardine, Matheson, and Co., Ltd., which has branches in all the important centres in China, and which supplies from a needle to a battleship. Other countries besides England have important firms of this description established in China; only Italy is not represented. Chinese foreign trade amounted to more than L. 8 milliards last year, and with a population of 64,873,000 (1916 figures), together with enormous natural wealth still to be developed, China will become the future scene of world-wide economic battles. As a first step the Italian Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai suggests the formation of an Italian General Agency to which all the principal industrial firms in Italy should subscribe; the expenses of the agency to be borne as to one-half by all the subscribers and the other half in proportion to the business done by each firm.

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T/T Singapore	143
T/T Japan	153
T/T India	Nom.
Demand, India	Nom.
T/T San Francisco & New York	7 7/8
T/T Java	188½
T/T Marks	Nom.
T/T Francs	4.26
Demand, Paris	4.36½

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4 m/s. L/C	3/5⅝
4 m/s. D/P	3/5⅞
6 m/s. L/C	3/6
30 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne	3/5
30 d/s. San Francisco & New York	81¼
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. Francs	4.53½
6 m/s. Francs	4.58½
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	80
T/T Bombay	Nom.
Demand, Bombay	—
T/T Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, Calcutta	—
Demand, Manila	162
Demand, Singapore	143
On Haiphong	2¼ % prem.
On Saigon	2 % prem.
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8.00 "	to	9.30 "	"	10 min
9.30 "	to	10.00 "	"	15 min
10.30 "	to	11.00 "	"	15 min
11.30 "	to	12.30 p.m.	"	30 min
12.45 p.m.	to	1.15 "	"	10 min
1.45 "	to	2.15 "	"	15 min
2.30 "	to	4.00 " Saturdays only	"	30 min
2.30 "	to	4.00 " Saturdays only	"	15 min
4.00 "	to	6.00 "	"	15 min
6.00 "	to	8.00 "	"	10 min

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1.30 a.m.				
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10.30 "	to	11.00 "	"	10 min
11.00 "	to	12.00 noon	"	15 min
12.00 noon	to	12.30 p.m.	"	10 min
12.30 p.m.	to	1.30 "	"	15 min
3.00 "	to	6.30 "	"	15 min
6.30 "	to	8.00 "	"	10 min
8.00 "	to	9.00 "	"	15 min
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E. D. C. WOLFE,

Captain Superintendent of Police.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1918.

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MEMORIAL Services for those fallen in the War will be held in the Church on SUNDAY next, December, 29th at 11 A.M. and 6 P.M.

TIDE TABLE.

From 23rd Dec. to 29th Dec.

		High Water Hongkong Mean Time.		Low Water Hongkong Mean Time.	
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Mon.	23	0	6 11	7 22	1 3
Tues.	24	0 38	6 11	8 16	1 11
Wed.	25	1 32	6 11	9 5	2 5
Thurs.	26	2 26	6 11	9 53	2 11
Fri.	27	3 20	6 11	10 42	3 1
Sat.	28	4 15	6 11	11 30	3 3
Sun.	29	5 9	6 11	0 0	3 3

m morning. a afternoon.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(*Wah Tze Yat Po's Service*)

Peking, Dec. 27.—The President will give the Peace delegates a farewell dinner to-morrow. Chu Kai-kim and party will leave for Shanghai on the 29th inst. Hung Hi-ling and Liang Shih-yi will also proceed to Shanghai.

Chu Kai-kim, chief peace delegate, gave a reception to the newspaper editors in the Central Park in order to secure the Press assistance to show that Chu is the representative of the people at the Peace Conference.

Shanghai, Dec. 27.—Wu Chao-chu arrived at Shanghai the other day. The various communities here are planning to give him a reception.

Liang Chi-chao is expected to arrive at Shanghai this afternoon. The City Magistrate is sending police and detectives to escort him.

Chu Shu-tsang has obtained one week's leave of absence to return to Anhui on pretext of worshipping at his ancestors' tombs, but in reality he is going to consult with Nai Shu-chang, Tuchun of Anhui, on certain important matters.

It is reported that the Central Government is trying to get the influential members of the old Parliament to come to Peking and give them positions as Councillors in the Cabinet.

The American Minister to Peking declares that in order to maintain a permanent peace in the Far East, all international disputes concerning China must be satisfactorily settled at the European Peace Conference.

Members of the Fengtien and Chili section of the On Fuk Club oppose the appointment of Kung Sum-jun as Minister of Finance and another section opposes Tao Yu-lun as Minister of Communications. The Fengtien section also opposes Chin Nai-yuen as Minister of Interior. Thus the voting on Cabinet Ministers will be postponed for some time.

A certain Japan official declares that owing to the change in the position of world affairs, Japan has found it advisable to change her policy towards China. She will therefore give up her demand for special interests in China and will adopt a fair attitude in conjunction with Britain, America and France and also will forego her position in Fokien and return Tsingtau to China unconditionally.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS.

Straits.—Per DILWARA, 28th Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS.

TO-MORROW.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per KAIJO M., 29th Dec., 9 a.m.

Shanghai & N. China—Per DILWARA, 29th Dec., 9 a.m.

Haiphong—Per TUNGUS, 29th Dec., 9 a.m.

Haiphong—Per PHEUMPENH, 29th Dec., 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 30th December.

Philippine Is.—Per SORACHI MARU 30th Dec., 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, 31st December.

Shanghai & N. China—Per SINKIANG, 31st Dec., 11 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, 1st January.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao—Per SOSHU MARU, 1st Jan., 9 a.m.

THURSDAY, 2nd January.

Shanghai and N. China—Per SUIYANG, 2nd Jan., 9 a.m.

Swatow & Bangkok—Per HUPEH, 2nd Dec., 9 a.m.

FRIDAY, 3rd January.

Philippine Is.—Per YUENFANG, 3rd Jan., 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, 4th January.

Shanghai and N. China—Per KAIFONG, 4th Jan., 2 a.m.

TUESDAY, 7th January.

Shanghai & N. China—Per HINGAN, 7th Jan., 11 a.m.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.—1st Sunday after Christmas, 29th December, 1918. Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.) God Save the King. Anthem: "The Supreme Sacrifice"—Rev. E. Harris. Psalm: 16—(Kelway—3rd morning). Benedictus: Barnby. Nunc Dimittis: Felton. Hymns: 499 and 401. The Dead March. The Last Post. N.B.—Psalm 16, verses 1, 2, 6, 9 and 12 in unison. Hymn 499, verses 1, 4, 6 and 8 in unison. Hymn 401, verses 1, 2 and 4 in unison. Holy Communion (12 noon). Responses: Festal. Psalms: Ritbaut and Stainer. Magnificat: Barnby. Nunc Dimittis: Monk. Carols: "The First Noel," "God Rest you Merry" and "Good King Wenceslas." Hymns: 58, 60. Voluntaries: "Fantasia on 2 Christmas Carols"—J. E. West. "Pastoral on 3 Christmas Hymn Tunes"—Luard-Selby. N.B.—Psalm 142, verses 1, 2, 6 and 8 in unison. Psalm 142, verses 1, 2, 7, 8, 11 and 12 in unison. Hymn 58, verses 1, 3 and 6 in unison.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.—Memorial Service for those fallen in the War Sunday after Christmas Day, 29th December, 1918. Holy Communion after Evening Service. Morning Prayer 11 a.m. Responses: Ferial. Venite: Dyce Chant 388 W A Psalms: 23, Hopkins. 4th Evening. 121, Turle. 27th Morning. Te Deum: Woodward, Smart and Turle. Benedictus: Beethoven, 27th Morning. Hymns: 295, 247, 423, 299. Evening Prayer 6 p.m. Responses: Ferial. Psalms: 23 Hopkins. 4th Evening. 46 Goodson, Chant 178 W. A. Magnificat: Stainer, Chant 398 W. A. Nunc Dimitts: Wickes 10th Evening. Kyrie: Thorne. Hymns: 97, 96, 247, 444. (Tune 139).

Union Church, Kennedy Road.—Sunday Services, December 29. Morning—11. Special Commemoration of Those who have Fallen in the War. Hymns: 477, 332, 265, 341. Anthem. "What are These?" Stainer Evening 6. Hymns: 384, 238, 305, 11, 365. Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie.

St. Peter's Church, West Point.—Sunday 29th December, 1918. 8 a.m. Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon.

Peak Church:—Holy Communion at 8.15 a.m.

The Gospel Hall.—(No. 10 and 12 Pedder Street). Weekly Services:—Sunday. Breaking of Bread, 11 a.m. Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Exposition of Scripture, 8 p.m. Thursday. Bible Class, 8 p.m. Friday. Bible Class for Ladies, 5.30 p.m. Saturday, Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.—Sunday. Morning Service 10.15 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Arsenal Street.—Sunday Evening, Gospel Services 8 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.—Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m. followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Glenealy.—Low Masses at 6, 7, and 9.30 a.m. High Mass at 8 a.m. 5.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

First Church of Christ Scientist.—MacDonnell Road. Sundays, 11.15 a.m. Wednesdays, 5.30 p.m.

War Trophies in the Parks.

German field guns and trench mortars are displayed in Battersea Park, Finsbury Park, Kennington Park, Southwark Park, Victoria Embankment Gardens, and Victoria Park. Others are to be placed at Avery-hill, Brockwell Park, Chiselcld Park, Dulwich Park, Golder's-hill, Peckham Rye Park, Ravenscourt Park, Springfield Park, Wandsworth Park, and Waterlow Park.

"Half A Day's Leave for Shopping."

An application from their lady clerks to be allowed half a day's leave a month in order that they may do their shopping has been declined by the Bermondsey Food Control Committee. Alderman Balmer remarked that if this request were granted the Town Clerk, the Borough Treasurer, the engineer, and their staffs would be applying for half a day in which to buy clothes and boots.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Legislative Council meets on Monday at noon, the agenda being as follows:—

Financial Minutes.

Resolution under Section 7 of the Tobacco Ordinance, 1916.

Second reading of the Bill entituled An Ordinance to amend further the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1900.

A Trip to Siam.

Wong Fook has returned from banishment, probably to howl without a licence, since that profession appears to be a profitable one, judging by the cheerful manner in which the fines are paid. After that, he proposes to visit Siam. He might have to call in some friends in Yaumati did not come forward with a little of the "necessary." His visit to Siam, however, will be postponed for one year and the 365th day will be the grand finale, for Mr. Melbourne has ordered "stocks" for that suspicious occasion.

DAY BY DAY.

A Bad Shock.

Our reporter had a fearful shock in Mr. Melbourne's Court, to day, when a Police Inspector introduced a little girl of ten years of age, who was hawking and actually had a license. Mr. Melbourne, however, did not quiver. Virtue was not rewarded, in this case, for the little hawker lost two packets of cigarettes, which were snatched by a thief. Nevertheless she had the satisfaction of hearing that the thief will get one month's imprisonment and will have to sit in the stocks for four hours at the scene of the theft.

Presents Judged By Size.

When two hawkers were charged yesterday before Mr. Melbourne with hawking without a licence, they told him that the cabbage, which they were charged with selling, was really the Christmas present of a kind person. The Magistrate said he could hardly believe any one would give such a large cabbage to the defendants. The hawkers were fined. N.B.—Poor people should not be given big presents.

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